HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION, FORESTRY, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION

327 House Office Building

Thursday 8:30 A.M.

October 27, 2005

Representative Tom Casperson, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Representative Casperson requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Representatives Casperson, Hildenbrand, Garfield, Nitz, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltrown, Gillard and Espinoza.

Absent: None.

Representative Nitz moved, supported by Representative Garfield, to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2005 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4694 before the committee.

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State; employees and officers; state or local governmental worker to carry concealed weapon while conducting inspections; allow.

Representative Stakoe moved, supported by **Representative Garfield**, to adopt substitute (H-2) for HB 4694.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 11-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Casperson, Hildenbrand, Garfield, Nitz, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltrown, Gillard and Espinoza,

Nays: None, Pass: None.

Arnold Weinfeld, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified in opposition to **HB 4694**. Questions and discussion followed.

Bill Anderson, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified in opposition to HB

4694. Questions and discussion followed.

Wayne Groth, representing the Great Lakes Shooting Sports Association, submitted a testimony card indicating a neutral position on **HB 4694**, and did not wish to speak.

Lieutenant Greg Zarotney, representing the Michigan State Police submitted a testimony card indicating opposition to **HB 4694**, and did not wish to speak.

Don VanSingel, representing the City of Grand Rapids, testified in opposition to **HB 4694** as written, but would support the bill if amended. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **9:47 a.m.**

Representative Tom Casperson, Chair	Dave Mead
	Committee Clerk
	October 27, 2005
	1 hour 17 minutes
Date Approved and Signed	